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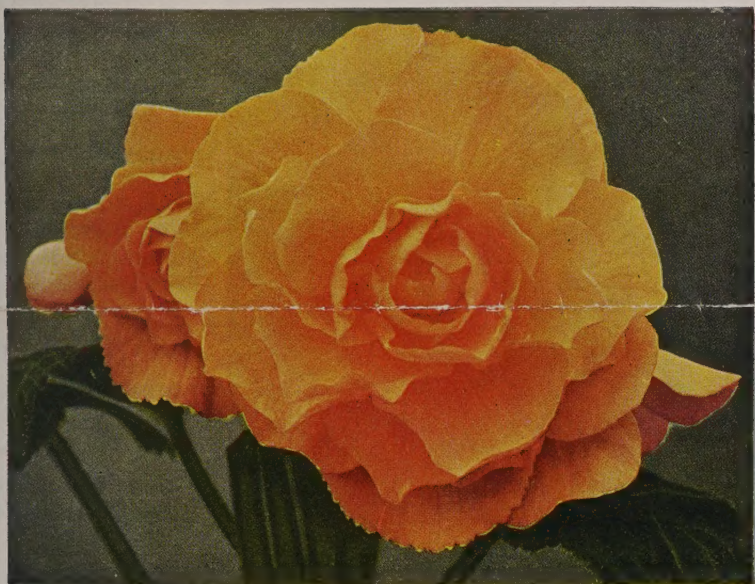
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CRISPA TYPE BEGONIA



CARNATION TYPE BEGONIA



CAMELLIA TYPE TUBEROUS ROOTED BEGONIA



HANGING BASKET TYPE BEGONIA



PICOTEE BEGONIA



CAMELLIA TYPE BEGONIA

## Tuberous Rooted Begonias — Among the Showiest of Flowers

### DOUBLE CAMELLIA TYPE

The most popular type with flowers 5 to 8 inches across, resembling camellias and roses in all forms and variations of color. Your choice of White, Red, Scarlet, Rose, Pink, Yellow, Orange, Salmon, Apricot or our mixture.

Each 40c      5 for \$1.75      25 for \$7.00

### CARNATION TYPE OR DOUBLE FRILLED

This type produces a large double, resembling a carnation in form. The petals are frilled and have serrated edges. Your choice of White, Red, Scarlet, Rose, Pink, Yellow, Orange, Salmon, Apricot or our mixture.

Each 40c      5 for \$1.75      25 for \$7.00

### CRISPA OR SINGLE FRILLED

Produces large, profusely frilled and ruffled flowers of the single type. Your choice of White, Red, Scarlet, Rose, Pink, Yellow, Orange, Salmon, Apricot or our mixture.

Each 40c      5 for \$1.75      25 for \$7.00

### PICOTEE TYPE BEGONIA

These are a type of Double Camellia that differs only in that the flowers are two-toned, with darker color at the edge. Flowers are large as the Camellia type; splendid for corsages. AVAILABLE IN MIXTURE OF PASTEL SHADES ONLY.

Each 40c      5 for \$1.75      25 for \$7.00

### MARMORATA TYPE

A very beautiful type of Camellia Begonias. While the flowers are not quite as large as the Camellia type, the plants are very floriferous, being literally covered with blooms. The flowers are produced on strong stems that hold the flowers upright. The mottled effect of white and deep rose is most attractive and novel. The foliage is a clear bright green. We urge you to include a few in your order.

Each 40c      5 for \$1.75      25 for \$7.00

### HANGING BASKET TYPE

An unsurpassed strain producing DOUBLE FLOWERS ONLY. Each bulb produces great masses of tiny Camellia type flowers. Excellent for rock gardens, porches, etc. Mixed colors only.

Each 40c      5 for \$1.75      25 for \$7.00

### ALL TYPES MIXED

Our hand selected assortment including several types in a complete color range.

SPECIAL PRICE      5 for \$1.50      25 for \$6.00

## Begonia Cultural Directions

Any light soil with a lot of humus will grow good Begonias; heavy soils should have a liberal application of well rotted manure, leaf mold or sand thoroughly mixed. Very light soil will benefit with an application of peat, leaf mold or well rotted manure. A lighter soil should be used in pots than when planted outdoors. A shady spot should be selected outdoors, such as under trees or the north side of a building where the direct sunlight cannot reach them.

For well-grown specimens additional feeding will be required, fish or cottonseed meals, both give fine results. Mix a tablespoonful with the soil in the lower half of the planting hole for small plants, additional for larger plants.

### COMPLETE PLANTING GUIDE WITH EACH ORDER

**TUBER SIZES.** Our large size Begonia tubers are 1½" to 2" or larger in diameter.









GLAMIS



LEADING LADY



SPOTLIGHT

## Gladiolus

### King of the Summer Cut Flowers

Gladiolus may be planted any time from early spring to June; planting at intervals will prolong the blooming season.

Any good garden soil is satisfactory but must be well drained. Plant 5 to 6 inches deep.

If commercial fertilizer is used it should be well mixed with the soil. If manure is used it should not come in contact with the bulb. A light top dressing of fish meal tankage or sheep guano will be very beneficial when the flower buds begin to show.

If thrips are prevalent in your community it will be wise to start spraying or dusting your plants when they are about six to eight inches high, using either a water soluble 50% DDT spray or 5% DDT dust.

#### COMPLETE INSTRUCTIONS WITH EACH ORDER

**BULB SIZES.** We ship only large size gladiolus bulbs—1¼" to 1½" or larger in diameter. These young high crown bulbs, "Cream of the Crop," are the finest quality available.

#### DEEP RED

**COMMANDER KOEHL.** Large, clear blood red. Straight spikes for fine mid-season flowers. **5 for 40c; 25 for \$1.50.**

**JULES AMOTT.** Deep red with darker red markings on the lower florets. Mid-season. **5 for 50c; 25 for \$2.00.**

**RED CHARM.** The flower show judges like this large glad. Fine for cut flowers, mid-season. **5 for 50c; 25 for \$2.00.**

**RED RASCAL.** Huge ruffled florets on a tall strong spike. Red with white line on lower petals. Mid-season. **Each 50c.**

**STOPLIGHT.** Ruffled brilliant red. Perfectly placed flowers on tall spikes. Mid-season. **5 for 40c; 25 for \$1.50.**



MARGUERITE



ELIZABETH THE QUEEN



PURPLE SUPREME

#### CREAM

**LEADING LADY.** Wonderful exhibition cream white. Top prize winner 1948. Mid-season. **Each 20c; 5 for 65c; 25 for \$2.50.**

**CORONA.** Dainty pink picotee edge on large creamy white ruffled florets. Mid-season. **5 for 50c; 25 for \$2.00.**

**ORIENTAL PEARL.** Huge clear cream. Largest and tallest in this color. Mid-season. **Each 20c; 5 for 65c; 25 for \$2.50.**

**WHITE GOLD.** Giant creamy white blooms shading to golden yellow throat. Early. **5 for 40c; 25 for \$1.50.**

#### WHITE

**ANNAMAE.** Pure snow-white, with tiny wine-red spot at the base of petals; early. **5 for 50c; 25 for \$2.00.**

**MARGARET BEATON.** Good clear white with orange-scarlet throat blotch; mid-season. **5 for 40c; 25 for \$1.50.**

**MOUNT INDEX.** Tall white with a glowing golden throat. Large rugged grower. Early. **Each 20c; 5 for 80c; 25 for \$3.00.**

**SILVER WINGS.** A pure white ruffled sport of Picardy. One of the best; mid-season. **Each 20c; 5 for 80c; 25 for \$3.00.**

**SNOW PRINCESS.** Good white variety for both exhibition and cut flowers. Early. **5 for 40c; 25 for \$1.50.**

#### DEEP YELLOW

**SPOTLIGHT.** New large deep yellow with red blotch. Hard to beat this gladiolus. Early. **Each 20c; 5 for 65c; 25 for \$2.50.**

**GOLDEN STATE.** Large florets of rich clear yellow. Tall strong grower, late. **Each 20c; 5 for 65c; 25 for \$2.50.**

#### LIGHT YELLOW

**CRINKLECREAM.** Clear, light yellow; large and beautifully ruffled. Mid-season. **Each 20c; 5 for 80c; 25 for \$3.00.**

**HARVEST MOON.** Here is a good medium yellow cut flower for your home use. Mid-season. **5 for 40c; 25 for \$1.50.**

**OREGON GOLD.** Massive plant produces a five-foot spike. Huge ruffled florets. Late. **5 for 50c; 25 for \$2.00.**

#### BUFF

**ATHLONE.** Buds are pinkish and open to a salmon flesh color. Large florets. Early. **Each 25c; 5 for \$1.00.**

**SUNSPOT.** Ruffled light apricot buff with rose spot in throat. Tall spikes, early. **Each 60c; 5 for \$2.50.**

#### ORANGE

**ABNAKI.** Large flowers of deep vivid orange. Strong stems; wonderful for early cut flowers. **Each 20c; 5 for 80c.**

**LANTANA.** Lovely shade of orange with a gold throat. Large florets; strong stems. Early. **5 for 50c; 25 for \$2.00.**

**TUT'S BOTH.** You will marvel at the color quality in this beautiful pastel orange glad. **Each 25c; 5 for \$1.00.**

#### LIGHT SALMON

**GLAMIS.** Very beautiful clear salmon rose with cream lip. Big ruffled blooms, mid-season. **Each 20c; 5 for 65c; 25 for \$2.50.**

**MARLENE BOTH.** Giant creamy salmon pink with buff throat. Nicely ruffled. Early. **Each 25c; 5 for \$1.00.**

**PICARDY.** Glowing shrimp or flesh pink. A valuable variety for cut flowers. Mid-season. **5 for 40c; 25 for \$1.50.**

#### LIGHT PINK

**BIG TOP.** Early blooming giant of light pink with small carmine feather in the throat. **5 for 50c; 25 for \$2.00.**

**COVER GIRL.** Large flowers of medium pink. Good exhibition or cut flower. Mid-season. **Each 20c; 5 for 65c; 25 for \$2.50.**

**DREAM CASTLE.** Coral pink blending into a white throat. Ruffled florets, mid-season. **Each 50c; 5 for \$2.00.**

**GENGHIS KHAN.** Mammoth ruffled light pink with light cream throat. Beautiful. Mid-season. **Each 25c; 5 for \$1.00.**

**GRETA GARBO.** Delicate combination of pale pink and cream. Tall spikes; mid-season. **5 for 40c; 25 for \$1.50.**

**ROSA VAN LIMA.** Light rosy pink with few lines in throat. Large flowers; early. **5 for 40c; 25 for \$1.50.**

#### SCARLET

**ALGONQUIN.** Early, brilliant glowing scarlet. Large needlepoint blooms on a tall spike. **5 for 40c; 25 for \$1.50.**

**VALERIA.** Light clear scarlet with faint yellow midrib on each petal. Early mid-season. **5 for 50c; 25 for \$2.00.**

### SPECIAL SELECT MIXED GLADIOLUS

This is not the common dime store mix but is a hand selected assortment of the finest varieties for summer cut flowers. Contains no old discarded sorts, but many of the best new introductions. A fine selection of large bulbs.

**10 for 70c      25 for \$1.50**  
**250 for \$12.00**

#### LIGHT RED

**BLAZE.** Pure, intense scarlet-red that never crooks. Excellent cut flower. Mid-season. **5 for 40c; 25 for \$1.50.**

**GRACIE ALLEN.** Beautiful large florets of clear light red. Exhibition variety. Mid-season. **Each 35c; 5 for \$1.40.**

**HAWKEYE RED.** Brilliant red flowers on a tall spike. Wonderful for cut flowers. Mid-season. **5 for 50c; 25 for \$2.00.**

**MID AMERICA.** Bright light red florets on tall spikes. New favorite at the shows. Mid-season. **Each \$1.50.**

#### BLACK RED

**BLACK OPAL.** One of the best dark reds; fine long spikes of large blooms. Mid-season. **5 for 50c; 25 for \$2.00.**

**PRUSSIA'S GLORY.** Here is the blackest black red we have seen. Try it. Mid-season. **Each 25c; 5 for \$1.00.**

#### DEEP SALMON

**MARGUERITE.** Rich, deep watermelon pink with cream throat. Sturdy. Mid-season. **5 for 50c; 25 for \$2.00.**

**DIEPPE.** Dark salmon red with darker blotch. Slightly ruffled large blooms. Mid-season. **Each 20c; 5 for 65c; 25 for \$2.50.**

**SPIC & SPAN.** New exhibition deep salmon pink. Heavily ruffled blooms on tall sturdy stems. Early. **Each \$1.00.**

**SPITFIRE.** Rosy toned salmon with cherry lines on white throat. Straight spikes. Early. **Each 35c; 5 for \$1.50.**

**SUSANNAH.** Heavily ruffled florets of deep salmon with creamy white throat. Mid-season. **Each 25c; 5 for \$1.00.**

#### DEEP PINK

**CHERRY JAM.** Ruffled deep pink with cherry blotch on the lower petal. Tall, early. **Each 30c; 5 for \$1.20.**

**JEANIE.** Rich pink without flecking, white mid-ribs and light cream throat. Mid-season. **5 for 40c; 25 for \$1.50.**

**PINK CHARM.** Giant ruffled clear pink with somewhat darker throat. Exhibition type, early. **Each 35c; 5 for \$1.40.**

**SUMMER GAL.** Lightly ruffled geranium pink with rose feather in throat. Early mid-season show blooms. **Each \$1.00.**

### SMALL GARDEN SPECIAL

1 each of 10 of the finest and most outstanding cut flowers. Each variety properly labeled.

**\$1.25 Postpaid**

#### LAVENDER

**ELIZABETH THE QUEEN.** Beautiful clear lavender mauve with darker throat. Mid-season. **5 for 50c; 25 for \$2.00.**

**HUNTRESS.** Large pinkish lavender. Straight spikes for fine cut flowers. Early. **Each 20c; 5 for 80c; 25 for \$3.00.**

#### SMOKY

**FLYING FORTRESS.** Huge blooms of light smoky gray. Fine exhibition type. Late. **Each 35c; 5 for \$1.50.**

**HIGH FINANCE.** Smoky light orange-gray with cream throat. Ruffled blooms, late. **5 for 50c; 25 for \$2.00.**

**TUNIA'S MAHOMET.** Huge smoky of deep plum rose; orange-scarlet throat. Early. **Each 25c; 5 for \$1.00.**

**VAGABOND PRINCE.** Striking bronze red with rich orange throat blotches. Early. **5 for 40c; 25 for \$1.50.**

#### DEEP ROSE

**BURMA.** Heavily ruffled, very deep rose, lighter in the throat. Large mid-season blooms. **Each 20c; 5 for 65c; 25 for \$2.50.**

**EARLY ROSE.** A very popular early, medium dark rose pink with lighter throat. **5 for 40c; 25 for \$1.50.**

#### LIGHT ROSE

**CHAMOUNY.** A distinct shade of cerise-rose with a silver line on the edge. Mid-season. **5 for 40c; 25 for \$1.50.**

**MISS WISCONSIN.** Beautiful new lavender rose. Large 5-inch blooms. Mid-season. **Each 25c; 5 for \$1.00; 25 for \$4.00.**

#### PURPLE

**PURPLE SUPREME.** Tall, bright purple with well placed florets. Mid-season blooms. **5 for 50c; 25 for \$2.00.**

**JACK POT.** Big ruffled plum colored blooms. An unusual shade. Tall sturdy spikes, early. **Each 50c; 5 for \$2.00.**

**KING LEAR.** Very early, clear deep reddish purple with a silver hue on the edge. **5 for 40c; 25 for \$1.50.**

**MRS. MARK'S MEMORY.** Fine tall spike with large reddish violet florets. Mid-season. **5 for 50c; 25 for \$2.00.**

#### BLUE

**ABU HASSAN.** One of the finest dark violet blues yet introduced. Mid-season. **Each 20c; 5 for 65c; 25 for \$2.50.**

**BLUE BEATY.** Medium light blue with edges of petals overlaid violet blue. Early. **5 for 40c; 25 for \$1.50.**

### NOVELTY GLADIOLUS COLLECTION

**10 "PRIZE WINNERS" for a Show Spot in Your Garden**

**SILVER WINGS,** white  
**SPOTLIGHT,** deep yellow  
**TUT'S BOTH,** pastel orange  
**MARLENE BOTH,** light salmon  
**PRUSSIA'S GLORY,** black red  
**SUSANNAH,** deep salmon  
**PINK CHARM,** deep pink  
**TUNIA'S MAHOMET,** smoky  
**MISS WISCONSIN,** rose  
**JACK POT,** plum

**1 of each, value \$2.75 . . . . . PRICE \$2.50**  
**3 of each, value \$8.25 . . . . . PRICE \$7.00**

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## LILIES



SPECIOSUM RUBRUM

**SPECIOSUM RUBRUM.** White flowers flushed and spotted with deep rose. Our Speciosum bulbs are large and hard, disease free and the finest obtainable. Early spring or late fall delivery. **Each \$1.00; 5 for \$4.00.**

**MADONNA LILY (Candidum).** One of the most popular lilies for garden planting. Pure white with golden anthers; delightfully fragrant. Large, home-grown bulbs. **JULY DELIVERY ONLY. Each 50c; 5 for \$2.**

**GOLD BAND LILY (Auratum).** White, spotted deep crimson, with a bright yellow band running through the center of each petal. Huge, fragrant blooms. **Each \$1.00.**



TIGRIDIAS

**TIGRIDIAS.** One of the most interesting members of the bulb family, are a species of Iris, producing the most gorgeous and brilliantly colored flowers of many shades. While the individual bloom lasts but one day, the blooms continue to come; a top size bulb producing from nine to fifteen blooms under favorable conditions. These are grown from seed; therefore, no assurance can be given as to the colors contained in any particular order. Mixed colors only. **5 for 50c; 25 for \$2.00.**



RANUNCULUS

**RANUNCULUS.** The large double flowers are carried on tall graceful stems. Culture same as Anemones; plant pointed ends down. Mixed colors only.

**10 for 65c; 25 for \$1.30**

**ANEMONES.** Plant any time during the year in warm climates; early spring in northern states. Soak 2 or 3 hours, plant two inches deep in a sunny location. Mixed colors only. Your choice of single **MONARCH De CAEN** or semi-double **ST. BRIGID.**

**10 for 65c; 25 for \$1.30**



COLCHICUMS

**COLCHICUMS** will flower from dry bulbs without soil or water. This makes them valuable novelty gifts for friends. Planted outdoors these great crocus-like flowers carpet the ground in September and October without foliage, the leaves appearing early in the spring. Your choice of **CONQUEST**, dark violet; **GIGANTEUM**, soft rose; **LILAC WONDER**, rosy carmine; **VIOLET QUEEN**, deep violet.

**Early August Delivery Only**

**Named Varieties. Each 50c; 5 for \$2.00**

**Our Mixture, 5 for \$1.75**

## WASHINGTON GROWN DAHLIAS

### EXHIBITION DECORATIVE TYPE

**AZURA.** Rosy lilac with a bluish violet sheen. Huge 10 inch blooms. **Each 75c.**

**CHAS. L. MASTICK.** Rich golden orange sometimes showing a pinkish cast. Fine formation, strong stems. **Each 75c.**

**CLARA CARDER.** Soft Cyclamen pink, a true pastel tone. **Each 75c.**

**JANE COWL.** Beautiful combination of buff and gold blending to apricot and old rose at the center. **Each 50c.**

**MAHARADJA (Black Dahlia).** Huge flowers of glossy, deep chestnut red. Tall growing; strong, stiff stems. **Each \$3.00.**

**MAYOR FRANK OTIS.** Blooms often over 15 inches across. Rich yellow. **Each \$1.50.**

**MRS. GEORGE Le BOUTILLIER.** A beautiful carmine red. **Each 50c.**

**SALBACH'S WHITE.** A pure white of fine form on strong stems. **Each 50c.**

### CACTUS TYPE

**BEAUTE.** Clear light yellow cactus type blooms; tall, stiff stems. **Each \$1.00.**

**CYRIL VERSHAVE.** Bright velvety red; held high on strong stems. **Each \$1.00.**

**JERSEY'S DAINTY.** A fine clear white of good form. **Each 75c.**

**MRS. MINNIE RING.** Exquisite shade of pink; soft cream center. **Each \$2.00.**

### MINIATURE TYPE DAHLIAS

Blooms are 3 or 4 inches across, particularly fine for cutting.

**BABY BLUE RIVER.** Tall plant with bluish mauve flowers. **Each 50c.**

**CORONNE.** Pure waxy white, resembling a gardenia. **Each 75c.**

**FAIRY.** A rose-pink shading to mauve at the tips. **Each 50c.**

**LILLY BELL.** Lovely soft rose-pink with a silvery sheen. **Each \$1.00.**

**LITTLE DUNCAN.** Cactus type petals of bright red edged white. **Each 50c.**

**MARKET JEWEL.** Lush dark red blooms of the semi-cactus type. **Each \$1.00.**

**RICHARD TWYFORD.** Pointed cactus type blooms; bright orange. **Each 50c.**

**WHITE FAWN.** Miniature decorative blooms of pure white. **Each 75c.**

### POMPON DAHLIAS

**AMBER QUEEN.** Deep amber. **Each 40c.**

**BANTAM.** Bright scarlet. **Each 40c.**

**HONEY.** Yellow, tipped red. **Each 40c.**

**JOE FETTE.** Best white. **Each 40c.**

**MARY MUNNS.** Deep lavender. **Each 50c.**

**NERISSA.** Silvery pink. **Each 50c.**

### PLEASE READ THIS BEFORE ORDERING

**PREPAID**—All prices quoted include delivery by prepaid parcel post or express.

**GUARANTEE**—All bulbs are guaranteed true to name, free from disease or pests, and to arrive in good condition. If you are not completely satisfied with the bulbs upon arrival, please advise us at once and your money will be refunded upon return of the bulbs at our expense.

**BULB SIZES**—We ship large healthy bulbs, full of vigor, ready to give you quality blooms.

**TERMS OF PAYMENT**—Remittances may be made with check or money order. **No C.O.D.**

**QUANTITY**—Bulbs are not sold in lots smaller than the lowest quantity price listed. "5 for" price means 5 or more bulbs of the same variety; "10 for" price means 10 or more bulbs of the same variety, etc.

**ORDERS FOR LESS THAN \$2.00 PLEASE INCLUDE 25c FOR PACKING CHARGE**